

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the paragraph at page 3, line 15 to page 4 line 8 as follows:

**OBJECT OF THE INVENTION**

~~The main~~ One purpose of the present invention is to provide an image-forming apparatus for forming a toner image on a photoreceptor, primarily transferring the toner image on the photoreceptor onto an intermediate transfer member and secondarily transferring the toner image from the intermediate transfer member onto transfer material, such as transfer paper or the like used as recording material, which does not have the problem described above. That is to say, ~~the main~~ one purpose of the present invention is to provide an image-forming apparatus which does not stop, when a toner image exists in the non-image area and the toner image remains sandwiched between a photoreceptor and an intermediate transfer member or the intermediate transfer member and a second transfer member, so as to prevent the adherence between each member and the toner from increasing, thereby preventing image problems which affect the creation of the next image from occurring.

Please amend the paragraph at page 4, line 11 to page 5  
line 3 as follows:

(1) ~~An~~ According to one aspect of the invention, an  
image-forming apparatus is provided for forming a toner  
image on a photoreceptor having charging, exposing and  
developing means in its periphery, primarily transferring  
~~said the~~ toner image onto an intermediate transfer member,  
and then secondarily transferring ~~said the~~ toner image from  
~~said the~~ intermediate transfer member onto a transfer  
material . [[,]] The apparatus includes a ~~comprising~~  
cleaning device ~~means~~ for removing residual toner which has  
adhered to the downstream-side surface of ~~said the~~  
intermediate transfer member in its rotational direction  
after the second transfer position, ~~further comprising~~ and a  
controller for controlling a first transfer voltage or  
current so that most of the toner image pattern  $\alpha$  which has  
been formed in the non-image area on ~~said the~~ photoreceptor  
is transferred onto ~~said the~~ intermediate transfer member  
and stored thereon and also stopping ~~said the~~ intermediate  
transfer member after the toner which adhered to ~~said the~~  
intermediate transfer member has been removed.

Please amend the paragraph at page 5, lines 4-19 as follows:

(2) ~~An~~ According to another aspect of the invention,  
the image-forming apparatus ~~for forming a toner image on a~~  
~~photoreceptor having charging, exposing and developing means~~  
~~in its periphery, primarily transferring said toner image~~  
~~onto an intermediate transfer member, and then secondarily~~  
~~transferring said the toner image from said intermediate~~  
~~transfer member onto transfer material, comprising~~ includes  
a cleaning ~~means~~ device for removing residual toner which  
has adhered to the downstream-side surface of ~~said the~~  
photoreceptor in its rotational direction before the first  
transfer position, ~~further comprising~~ and a controller for  
controlling a first transfer voltage or current so that most  
of the toner image pattern  $\alpha$  which has been formed in the  
non-image area on ~~said the~~ photoreceptor remains on ~~said the~~  
photoreceptor and also stopping ~~said the~~ photoreceptor after  
the toner which has adhered to ~~said the~~ photoreceptor has  
been removed.

Please amend the paragraph at page 5, line 20 to page 6  
line 8 as follows:

(3) ~~An~~ According to another aspect of the invention,  
the image-forming apparatus ~~, having~~ includes a second  
transfer member, ~~for forming a toner image on a~~  
~~photoreceptor having charging, exposing and developing means~~  
~~in its periphery, primarily transferring said toner image~~  
~~onto an intermediate transfer member, and then secondarily~~  
~~transferring said~~ the ~~toner image from said intermediate~~  
~~transfer member onto said transfer material, comprising~~  
~~and a~~ controller for stopping ~~said~~ the ~~photoreceptor and~~  
~~said~~ the ~~intermediate transfer member at a position where~~  
the toner image pattern  $\alpha$  which has been formed in the  
non-image area on ~~said~~ the ~~photoreceptor when~~ ~~said~~ the  
apparatus was stopped is not sandwiched between the  
contacting parts of ~~said~~ the ~~photoreceptor and~~ ~~said~~ the  
intermediate transfer member.

Please amend the paragraph at page 6, lines 9-17 as follows:

(4) ~~An~~ According to another aspect of the invention,  
the image-forming apparatus ~~according to means (3),~~  
~~comprising~~ is provided with a roller or belt for making ~~said~~  
the second transfer member come in contact with ~~said the~~  
intermediate transfer member, ~~further comprising and a~~  
controller for stopping ~~said the~~ intermediate transfer  
member at a position where the toner image pattern  $\alpha$  which  
has been formed in the non-image area on ~~said the~~  
photoreceptor when ~~said the~~ apparatus was stopped is not  
sandwiched between the contacting parts of ~~said the~~ second  
transfer member and ~~said the~~ intermediate transfer member.

Please amend the paragraph at page 6, line 5 to page 7  
line 4 as follows:

(5) ~~An~~ According to another aspect of the invention,  
the image-forming apparatus ~~according to Means (4),~~  
~~comprising~~ is provided with a roller or belt for making ~~said~~  
the second transfer member come in contact with ~~said the~~  
intermediate transfer member, ~~further comprising and a~~  
controller for stopping ~~said the~~ intermediate transfer  
member after the toner image pattern  $\alpha$  which has been  
formed in the non-image area when ~~said the~~ apparatus was  
stopped has passed the contacting parts of ~~said the~~  
photoreceptor and ~~said the~~ intermediate transfer member and  
is located at a position before the contacting parts of ~~said~~  
the second transfer member and ~~said the~~ intermediate  
transfer member.

Please amend the paragraph at page 7, lines 5-18 as follows:

(6) ~~An~~ According to another aspect of the invention,  
the image-forming apparatus ~~for forming a toner image on a~~  
~~photoreceptor having charging, exposing and developing means~~  
~~in its periphery, primarily transferring said toner image~~  
~~onto an intermediate transfer member, and then secondarily~~  
~~transferring said toner image from said intermediate~~  
~~transfer member onto said transfer material, comprising~~  
includes a controller for controlling a first transfer  
voltage or current so that most of the toner image pattern  
 $\alpha$  which has been formed in the non-image area on ~~said the~~ the  
photoreceptor before ~~said the~~ apparatus is stopped is  
transferred onto ~~said the~~ intermediate transfer member and  
stored thereon and also stopping ~~said the~~ intermediate  
transfer member so that the toner image does not remain at a  
position close to a fixing unit.

Please amend the paragraph at page 7, line 19 to page 8  
line 13 as follows:

(7) ~~An~~ According to another aspect of the invention,  
the image-forming apparatus ~~for forming a toner image on a~~  
~~photoreceptor having charging, exposing and developing means~~  
~~in its periphery, primarily transferring said toner image~~  
~~onto an intermediate transfer member, and then secondarily~~  
~~contact-transferring said toner image from said intermediate~~  
~~transfer member onto transfer material, comprising~~ includes  
a cleaning ~~means~~ device for removing residual toner which  
has adhered to the downstream-side surface of ~~said the~~  
intermediate transfer member in its rotational direction  
before the second transfer position, ~~further comprising~~ and  
a controller for releasing the press-contact of ~~said the~~  
intermediate transfer member with a secondary contact  
transfer member when a paper jam has occurred, controlling a  
first transfer voltage or current so that most of the  
residual toner image is transferred onto ~~said the~~  
intermediate transfer member and stored thereon, and also  
stopping ~~said the~~ intermediate transfer member after the  
toner which has adhered to ~~said the~~ intermediate transfer  
member has been removed.



Please amend the paragraph at page 8, line 14 to page 9  
line 2 as follows:

(8) ~~An~~ According to another aspect of the invention,  
the image-forming apparatus ~~for forming a toner image on a~~  
~~photoreceptor having charging, exposing and developing means~~  
~~in its periphery, primarily transferring said toner image~~  
~~onto an intermediate transfer member, and then secondarily~~  
~~contact transferring said toner image from said intermediate~~  
~~transfer member onto transfer material, comprising~~ includes  
a controller for releasing the press-contact of ~~said the~~ the  
intermediate transfer member with a secondary contact  
transfer member when a paper jam has occurred, and then  
stopping ~~said the~~ the intermediate transfer member and ~~said the~~ the  
photoreceptor at a position where the residual toner image  
is not sandwiched between the contacting parts of ~~said the~~ the  
photoreceptor and ~~said the~~ the intermediate transfer member.

Please amend the paragraph at page 9, lines 3-15 as follows:

(9) ~~An~~ According to another aspect of the invention,  
the image-forming apparatus ~~for forming a toner image on a~~  
~~photoreceptor having charging, exposing and developing means~~  
~~in its periphery, primarily transferring said toner image~~  
~~onto an intermediate transfer member, and then secondarily~~  
~~contact transferring said toner image from said intermediate~~  
~~transfer member onto transfer material, comprising~~ includes  
a controller for releasing the press-contact of ~~said the~~ the  
intermediate transfer member with a secondary contact  
transfer member when a paper jam has occurred, and then  
stopping ~~said the~~ the intermediate transfer member so that ~~the~~  
~~toner image so that~~ the residual toner image on ~~said the~~ the  
intermediate transfer member does not remain at a position  
close to a fixing unit.

Please amend the paragraph at page 16, line 6 to page 17,  
line 2 as follows:

An intermediate transfer member (i.e. intermediate transfer belt) 15 is tightly stretched being circumscribed by an intermediate transfer belt drive roller 11, intermediate transfer belt tension roller 12, intermediate transfer belt supporting rollers 9 and 10 and a second transfer backup roller so that the intermediate transfer member (i.e. intermediate transfer belt) 15 rotates in the counter-clockwise direction. Further, a second transfer roller 7 oppositely faces a second transfer backup roller 8 via the intermediate transfer member (i.e. intermediate transfer belt) 15. Further, a cleaning blade [[A]] 5 abuts on the intermediate transfer member (intermediate transfer belt) 15 located at the position of the drive roller 11, a cleaning blade B 18 abuts on the second transfer roller 7, and each cleaning blade [[C]] (4Y, 4M, 4C, 4K) abuts on each photoreceptor 2, which carries images, in the counter-clockwise direction respectively. Furthermore, similarly, each first transfer roller 6 (6Y, 6M, 6C, 6K) for each color oppositely faces each photoreceptor 2 via the intermediate transfer member (i.e. intermediate transfer belt) 15.